GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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ENGINEERING COLLEGES IN KERALA
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government accorded approval of AICTE to Government Engineering Colleges in Wayanad & Idukki in Kerala;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government have set up the Committee to look into the feasibility of according AICTE's approval to the above colleges; and

(e) if so, the report of said committee and the action taken by the AICTE thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. VALLABHBHAI KATHIRIA)

(a) to (e): As per the information furnished by the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE)- the statutory body empowered to grant approval for starting new technical institutions, the Government Engineering Colleges at Wayanad and Idukki in the State of Kerala started functioning without approval of AICTE in the years 1999 and 2000 respectively. Though Letters of Intent were issued by AICTE for establishment of the institutes for the academic year 1999-2000 which was further revalidated for the year 2001-2002, no details were furnished by the Institutes before the stipulated date for processing of the proposals for approval. On submission of appeals by the Colleges, the Appellate Committee of AICTE in its meeting held on 26th February, 2003, recommended further extension of time for submission of necessary documents.